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RE: 12-3981 David Stebbins v. Legal Aid of Arkansas

Dear Mr. Stebbins:

The district court clerk has transmitted a notice of appeal in this matter, and we have docketed it under the caption and case number shown above. Please include the caption and the case number on all correspondence or pleadings submitted to this court.

Counsel in the case must supply the clerk with an Appearance Form. Counsel may download or fill out an [Appearance Form](#) on the "Forms" page on our web site at www.ca8.uscourts.gov.

The court has established a briefing schedule for the case, a copy of which will be forwarded under separate notice of docket activity. Please refer to the schedule and note the key filing dates. You should also review Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure 28 and 32, as well as Eighth Circuit Rules 28A and 32A.

The court will consider the case on the original file of the district court, and you do not need to file any additional record materials. If a transcript is required, you should file a motion with this court seeking preparation of a transcript at government expense. Your motion should specify what portions of the transcript you wish to have prepared and it should provide an explanation as to why these portions are necessary for the appeal. Please note that motions for appointment of counsel are rarely granted in pro se civil cases.

The court has directed the clerk's office to monitor and enforce compliance with the briefing schedule. Failure to file your brief will result in the issuance of a show cause order and may lead to dismissal of the appeal. Requests for extensions of time must be timely and should establish good cause. Overlength briefs are strongly discouraged.

On June 1, 2007, the Eighth Circuit implemented the appellate version of CM/ECF. Electronic filing is now mandatory for attorneys and voluntary for pro se litigants proceeding without an attorney. Information about electronic filing can be found at the court's web site www.ca8.uscourts.gov. In order to become an authorized Eighth Circuit filer, you must register with the PACER Service Center at <https://www.pacer.gov/psco/cgi-bin/cmecf/ea-regform.pl>. Questions about CM/ECF may be addressed to the Clerk's office.

Please note that service by pro se parties is governed by Eighth Circuit Rule 25B. A copy of the rule and additional information is attached to the pro se party's copy of this notice.

If you have any questions about the schedule or procedures for the case, please contact our office.

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District Court/Agency Case Number(s): 3:11-cv-03057-PKH

Caption For Case Number: 12-3981

David Anthony Stebbins

Plaintiff - Appellant

v.

Legal Aid of Arkansas

Defendant - Appellee

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